

FLAG -- Kanata concerned voter Kraken funds frozen did not donate to convoy

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Hey – just a preliminary heads up. Kraken is a popular crypto trading platform and app. Its co-founder has been extremely critical of the GoC's use of the EA. His twitter: <https://twitter.com/jespow>. Example: <https://twitter.com/jespow/status/1494458245259272192?s=20&t=IAOZ-4ds8uvYkUuD08S7HA>

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Good morning Marco,

I wanted to flag this high-level constituent issue here re: the freezing of cryptocurrency accounts on Kraken.

This constituent asserts that he's never been involved in the financing of the Freedom Convoy, but believes he may have been swept up in any broad activity by the federal government to address cryptocurrency transfers for the convoy.

Would you be able to flag this issue to the appropriate avenue? Further, is there reason to believe that this constituent's ETF freeze was instituted in relation to the orders under the EA?

Thank you,

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Hello and good morning Jenna,

I am a resident of Kanata and have some concerns about how the government is freezing the funds on Kraken in regards to the protests in the downtown core. Firstly, let me say I work as a contractor and have been greatly inconvenienced by this occupation myself for 3 plus weeks now as most of my work is in Centertown, specifically where this is happening. The efforts made to continue services while the police, city officials, OPP, and RCMP allowed this to occur for weeks have been to say the least, greatly annoying. Finally with the end in sight, I find myself very concerned and confused by the governments action against Kraken.

I have not funded in any way, or supported the efforts of the occupants yet find my ability to execute wire transfers frozen within my Kraken account. I find it concerning that this action has taken place even if temporary, and it sounds like efforts may be undertaken to make this permanent. I find that even more concerning. As I imagine many people are waking up today and noticing the same thing, or perhaps I am late to the party myself in noticing this issue, but I can only imagine the way this will colour many votes of the innocent parties that have been caught up in this action in the upcoming election.

I understand the federal government has many issues with crypto currencies, but applying a blanket freeze to the accounts of untold numbers of Canadians seems like a bit of an aggressive move, especially when the vast majority of it's users are just regular people walking past each other at the store daily, not funding terrorism or illegally occupying the downtown core. We are simply investing in new products that even the government partakes in by allowing ETFs based on it to exist. I would like to know, if this is made permanent, clarification on how much of that I can deduct on my taxes if I can show that infact (since it's all on blockchain and recorded, unlike paper money that actually funds terrorism) I did not donate to the convoy, and the feds have frozen my ability to transfer funds under false pretenses. Also do realize the federal gov is opening itself up to a massive class action that likely we will all have to pay for as taxpaying citizens of this amazing country. I don't really see how they would argue their defense when all of the transactions are logged and literally can be proven to be legitiment and not funding the convoy beyond any reasonable doubt with simple math and a pair of eyeballs. This voter suggests that the blanket freeze be lifted after 30 days, you guys can all show you're big and tough, and we all won't have to sue the pants off the next generation of Canadians.

Regards,

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A confused and concerned voter in Kanata